

May 28, 2003, has not been resolved. The acts of extremist violence and obstructionist activity outlined in Executive Order 13219, as amended, are hostile to U.S. interests and pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to the Western Balkans and maintain in force the sanctions to respond to this threat.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 8, 2010.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, June 8, 2010.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 3:08 p.m., and said to contain a message from the President whereby he submits a copy of a notice filed earlier with the Federal Register continuing the emergency with respect to Belarus first declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006.

With best wishes, I am  
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER.

#### CONTINUATION OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO BELARUS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 111-119)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the Federal Register and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the Federal Register for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency and related measures blocking the property of certain persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Belarus are to continue in effect beyond June 16, 2010.

Despite the release of internationally recognized political prisoners in the fall of 2008 and our continuing efforts

to press for further reforms related to democracy, human rights, and the rule of law in Belarus, serious challenges remain. The actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Belarus and other persons to undermine Belarus democratic processes or institutions, to commit human rights abuses related to political repression, and to engage in public corruption pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared to deal with this threat and the related measures blocking the property of certain persons.

BARACK OBAMA.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 8, 2010.

#### CONGRATULATING CHARLES COLE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Charles Cole Memorial Hospital in Coudersport, Pennsylvania, for winning a 2010 Achievement Award from the Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania.

Charles Cole Memorial was among 17 winners chosen from a pool of 134 entries. Through their incredibly successful efforts to solidify their connection to the community, the Charles Cole leaders and staff showed the importance of transparency and accessibility in the health care field.

The hospital established five Community Benefit Advisory Committees as outlets for the community to become involved in planning, operations, and governance. Committees met several times, both regionally and as part of the organization, and continue to serve as integral team members and community correspondents for the hospital staff. Recent data, when compared to baseline data taken before the establishment of these advisory committees, showed improvement in every major field, including the image of the hospital, visibility in the community, and quality of care.

The hospital will continue this great program. And as a person who spent many years in the health care field, I understand the importance of this effort and hope to see Charles Cole Memorial Hospital continue to succeed in the future.

#### CONGRATULATING FORT BEND BAPTIST EAGLES

(Mr. OLSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the Fort Bend Baptist Eagles on their second consecutive 4A Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools softball title.

The Eagles beat Fort Worth Christian on May 14 in Belton, Texas. They won 1-0 behind senior Rachel Fox's 10 strikeouts. Coach Kelly Ferguson coached her third team in 4 years to a State championship.

Participating in high school sports builds leadership and confidence in student athletes, and the Eagles have exemplified those traits in spades. The Fort Bend Baptist Eagles are proven role models for their school and community. Through hard work and dedication, they have achieved the goals they set themselves at the beginning of the season.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the Fort Bend Baptist Eagles on their back-to-back championship titles. I thank them for representing their community and their school with pride.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### UNQUALIFIED JUSTICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the new Supreme Court pick, Elena Kagan, has never been a judge. She's never seen a courtroom from the bench. She's never had a judge's responsibilities. Elena Kagan has never instructed a jury. She's never ruled on a point of law—any point of law. She has not decided even one constitutional issue. She's never tried a criminal case. She's never tried a civil case. She's never even tried a traffic case.

We don't know whether or not she believes the Constitution is the foundation of American law or whether she thinks, like many, the Constitution constantly changes based upon the personal opinions of Supreme Court Justices. But either way, Elena Kagan has never had to make a constitutional call in a court of law in the heat of a trial.

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She has never admitted evidence or ruled out evidence or ruled on the chain of custody regarding evidence. She has never made even one decision regarding any rule of evidence.

She has never ruled on the exclusionary rule, the Miranda doctrine, an unlawful search and seizure allegation,